

I am writing to give my full support for the above proposed bill. I very strongly believe the voices of children 12 years old and older must be heard with regard to their physical and legal custody in disputed custody matters. As a father of 2 daughters aged 8 and almost 14, I have direct experience in these proceedings. My 8 year old lives half the week with my. My older child lives full time with me.

I am willing to testify in support of HB 5661 at a Public Hearing.

There is only 1 reason why lawyers, and others who financially benefit from custody disputes would oppose this bill: It would stop the selling of children by corrupt Guardian ad Litem and therapist who are for sale to help them thwart the wishes of children old enough to intelligently form an opinion and express their wishes with regard to custody matters.

Thank you.

Sincerely yours,

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